



**Public Works  
Storm Water Utility**

- (1) **Program Title:** **Natural Creek Maintenance**
- (2) **Division/Section:** **River Maintenance**
- (3) **Program Element:** (a) **TPDES**  
1. Improper Disposal
- (4) **Statement of Purpose:**  
This activity is a TPDES permit requirement. The Permit's Storm Water Management Program (6) eliminate improper disposal practices to include the expeditious removal of the discharge. The City's Storm Water Management Program specifies that improper disposal and floatable debris be removed from the City's drainage facilities.  
In addition, this activity aids in the conveyance of storm water. Debris in natural creeks changes the characteristics of the rivers and creeks and reduces the conveyance capacity of the waterways.
- (5) **Description of Actions (Statement of Services):**  
All rivers and creeks within the permit area are inspected at a minimum every two years. The removal of illegally dumped debris is scheduled based on potential impact to impair upstream and downstream infrastructure and cause flooding of the surrounding community. Maintenance consists of debris removal only. In addition the Storm Water Community Service/Restitution program provides necessary hand crews to aid in the removal of floatable debris at minimal cost to the Utility.